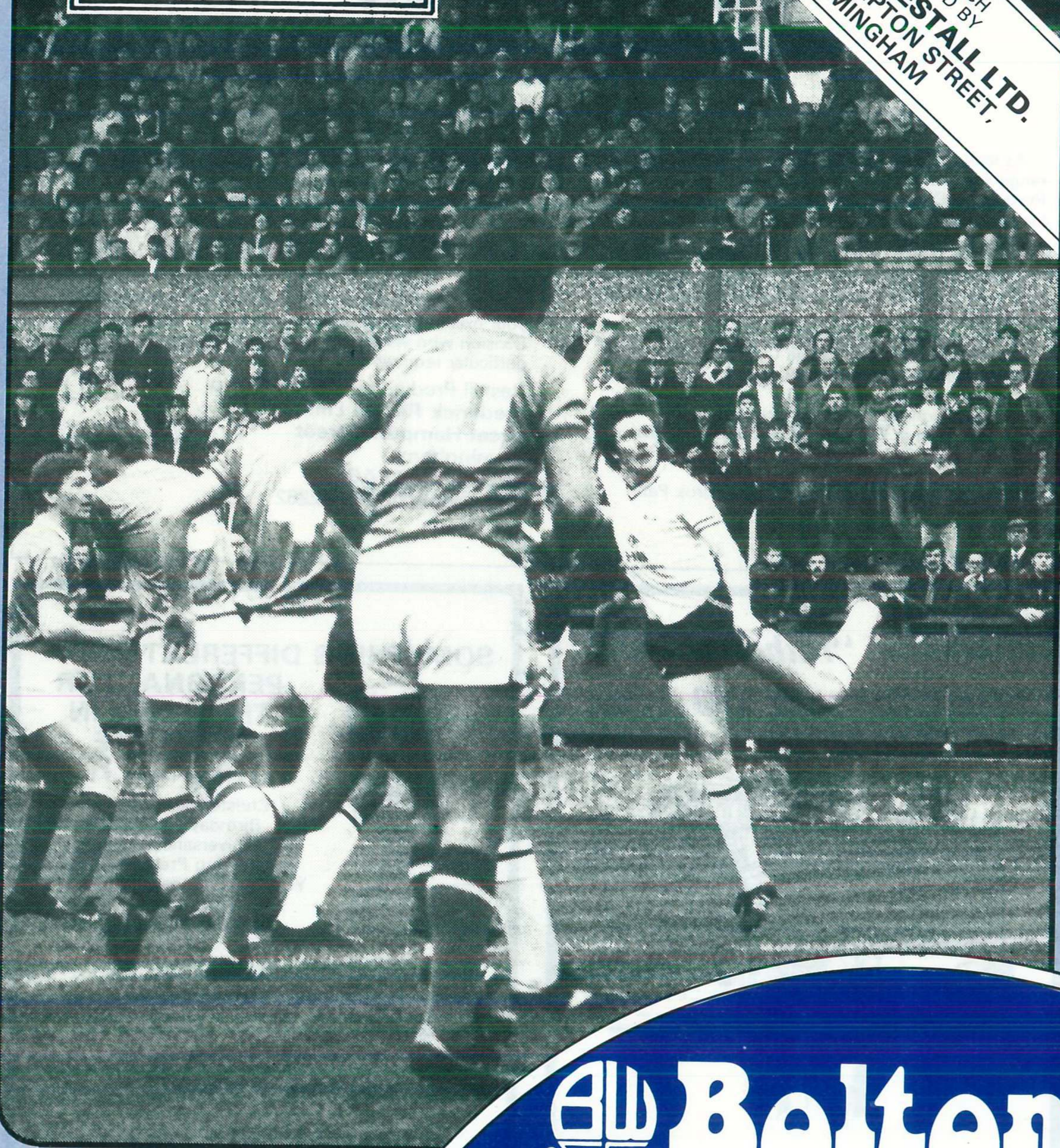


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AFTER our draw at Bournemouth last Saturday, our away form is beginning to look quite good. Two wins, three draws and three defeats is not a bad record at all. But we are, like any other side in the League, looking for consistency from everyone.

We're hitting spells in some matches when we look like world beaters. But if we give away silly goals as we did at Bournemouth in the first half, it is always going to be a struggle to get back into any match.

For the time being we can forget about away games. Starting today we have a run of three home games. We'll be looking to do well in front of our home supporters who I am sure have been well pleased so far this season.

Obviously we will be looking for three points this afternoon because it is important that we stay in touch with the leaders as we have managed to do so far.

I think we have proved in our 17 League games to date that we are a reasonably good side with a good squad of players and have the respect of every other side in the division.

In welcoming our visitors Brentford, I think it is fair to point out that they have one or two really good players and despite one or two problems on the League front, they showed up quite well in their televised Milk Cup tie against Liverpool.

Brentford are noted as a high scoring side so there is every chance of today's game following the trend of the vast majority of games we've been involved in this season in being very entertaining.

The main thing I think we have been noted for this season has been the high level of entertainment we have provided and our fans have been quick to respond. I would like to thank all those who made the long trip to Bournemouth and again caused no trouble at all.

I would like to make a rather special mention at this point about the referees in the two Tranmere cup ties and at Bournemouth who both showed common sense by talking sternly to the players of both sides, preventing any unsavoury incidents which might have brought a booking or two.

To pick out one player who has performed particularly well over the last month or so I would give a special mention to Steve Thompson. And it was gratifying to see him notching his first League goal for the club at Bournemouth in as decisive a manner as he has played in previous games.

It always takes pressure off strikers in any side when the opposition know that there are a number of players in your side who are capable of scoring goals so you can imagine how pleased I have been to see Jeff Chandler showing his goalscoring talents in the last few matches.



Next week we relaunch the Lifeline operation for another year and I would like to thank everyone who contributed to save the club last season.

With some really good prizes to be won we hope we can attract the same amount of supporters and more to join us in this venture over the next 12 months.

I realise £2 a week is a lot of money for a single individual to join the Lifeline scheme, but this can, of course, be split up between four people for instance and that doesn't tax their pockets too much.

Here I would like to make a special mention of our chairman Terry Edge, who received a lot of abuse from certain sectors last season but never shirked his responsibility to get the Lifeline idea launched. And it will be a personal triumph for him if we all work hard enough to make it a success again this year.

FRONT COVER: A Gerry McElhinney header at Tranmere in the F.A. Cup.

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BRENTFORD

PLENTY OF GOALS — BUT BEES' RESULTS DISAPPOINT

by Tony Pullein

True to recent tradition, Brentford have been scoring quite a few goals this season. But they have also been conceding quite a lot so, though the entertainment value of their games have been high, they are currently close to the bottom of the Third Division table.

So far Brentford have picked up only two points away from home. Indeed, the Bees haven't won away from Griffin Park since their astonishing 7-1 triumph at Exeter last April. Since then they have lost 10 of their 13 away games. The exceptions were in their opening away match this season when they drew 3-3 at Preston and when they held Sheffield United to 0-0 at Bramall Lane in October. They also drew at Dagenham in the F.A. Cup.

The Bees were beaten at Bristol Rovers (1-3), Wigan (1-2), Gillingham (2-4), Oxford (1-2), Southend (0-6) and Orient (0-2) in the League and at Charlton (1-2) and Liverpool (0-4) in the Milk Cup.

In the F.A. Cup they were held to a 2-2 draw at Dagenham in the first round but won the replay 2-1 to qualify for a home tie against neighbouring Wimbledon.

Brentford F.C. was formed in 1888, initially competing in the West London Alliance. They were admitted to the second division of the Southern League in 1898 and three years later gained promotion to the top section. But they were usually to be found in the lower half of the table and it was no surprise when they were relegated in 1913.

But they were back in the first division when that section was taken over to form the Football League's Third Division (South) in 1920. They were forced to apply for re-election at the end of their first season, and again in 1925, but they were returned each time without serious opposition.

In 1929/30 they finished runners-up to Plymouth but in those days only one club was promoted. They remained around the top until eventually clinching promotion as champions in 1935.

The man behind the rise of Brentford from that point was Harry Curtis, a former League referee, who was appointed secretary-manager in 1928. After lifting the Bees out of the Third Division, Mr Curtis guided them into the First Division only two years later. And, for a while, Brentford were a good First

Division side.

The war disrupted things and, in 1947, Brentford were relegated. Seven years later they dropped back into the Third Division and they have never since managed to return to Division Two.

Indeed, they have on three occasions been relegated to Division Four, their last spell ending with promotion in 1978.

Like most clubs, Brentford have been through their financial difficulties. At one point there was talk of amalgamating with West London neighbours Queen's Park Rangers but, fortunately, they have managed to maintain their separate identity.

Another disaster hit them last season when fire destroyed part of their grandstand, plus dressing room. This has now been colourfully repaired and the official opening took place before their Milk Cup clash with Charlton Athletic.

Several new faces arrived at Griffin Park this season. Goalkeeper Trevor Swinburne was signed from Carlisle and midfield man Terry Bullivant arrived from Charlton.

Because of the problems in defence, manager Fred Callaghan has been swapping his back four around and, where he could not plug gaps from his own staff, took Paul Roberts and Ian Davies on loan from Millwall and Manchester City respectively.

Mr Callaghan had been hoping the experience of playing two games against League Champions Liverpool would have enhanced his team's confidence. In fact, the Bees suffered two heavy defeats — by 1-4 at home and 0-4 at Anfield — and very little appeared to rub off on the Bees' League performance.

So the emphasis is now very much upon picking up sufficient points — particularly away from home — to keep clear of relegation.

TREVOR SWINBURNE (Goalkeeper). Trevor patiently spent his early years at Sunderland as understudy to Jim Montgomery and was limited to only ten outings in their League eleven. But, after moving to Carlisle in 1977, he won a regular place and completed more than 250 first-team appearances until signing for Brentford this summer.

TERRY ROWE (Defender). Terry made his League debut against Newport two seasons ago. He joined the club from school and served his apprenticeship at Griffin Park.

JIM McNICHOLL (Defender). Jim didn't get a chance in Ipswich Town's first-team so he moved on to Luton and made his entry into League soccer with the Hatters in 1976/77. Brentford paid a then club record £35,000 fee to sign him two seasons later and he has since been capped seven times at under-21 level by Scotland.

ALAN WHITEHEAD (Defender). Brentford invested a club record £75,000 fee when they signed Alan from Bury during the 1981 close-season. He had been establishing himself as a commanding figure in the middle of the Shakers' back four over the previous three years.

DANIS SALMAN (Defender). Danis won England youth honours in his early days at Griffin Park and made his League debut in 1975/76.

TONY SPENCER (Defender). Tony served his apprenticeship with the Bees and got his first outing in their League eleven in 1981/82.

PAUL ROBERTS (Defender). Paul learned his game for Millwall and, following his League debut in 1978/79, he made some 150 first-team appearances for the Lions. He initially joined Brentford on loan this season.

GRAHAM WILKINS (Defender). Graham was signed from Chelsea in 1982 after making some 150 first-team appearances for the Stamford Bridge club.

CHRIS KAMARA (Midfield). Chris began his career with Portsmouth and spent two seasons as a first-teamer before moving to Swindon for £20,000 in 1977. In 1980 he returned to Portsmouth in a £50,000 deal but a few weeks later another move took him to Griffin Park in a straight swap for David Crown.

TERRY BULLIVANT (Midfield). Terry joined Fulham as a schoolboy and completed his apprenticeship at Craven Cottage. He made about 100 League appearances for the Cottagers before

joining Aston Villa for £200,000 in 1979. The move wasn't a good one, though, so Terry signed for Charlton in 1982 in a £100,000 deal but Brentford secured his signature on a free transfer this summer.

BOB BOOKER (Midfield). Bob joined Brentford from St. Albans in September 1978 and won a regular place in the first-team three seasons ago when he finished top scorer with eight goals.

FRANCIS JOSEPH (Forward). Francis was signed from Wimbledon in the 1982 close-season for £40,000 and finished top scorer with 24 goals last season. He scored in his first six games of the current campaign and now has 10 goals to his credit. Prior to his transfer Francis had spent the previous two seasons with Wimbledon after being spotted with Hillingdon.

KEITH CASSELLS (Forward). Keith made only a few appearances in Watford's first-team and in 1979/80 he was loaned to Peterborough. In 1981 he was sold to Oxford and in 1981/82 he scored 21 goals for the Third Division club, from that inspired Southampton to sign him. He didn't stay long at The Dell, though, and signed for Brentford mid-way through last season.

GARY ROBERTS (Forward). Gary joined the Bees from Wembley F.C. He made his League debut three seasons ago but last term was his best so far. He scored 17 goals and also won his first Wales under-21 cap.

TONY MAHONEY (Forward). Tony was a defender in his Fulham days but he switched to attack after joining Brentford at the beginning of last season. He scored 15 goals in only a couple of dozen games before breaking a leg. He has been easing his way back into the first-team in recent weeks.

IAN DAVIES (Defender). Ian is on loan from Manchester City. He began his career with Norwich but was transferred to Newcastle for £175,000 in 1979. After three seasons as a first-teamer, he moved on to Manchester City and last season served Bury on loan for a while.



Back Row: Gary Roberts, Jim McNichol, Bill Garner (no longer with club), Trevor Swinburne, Bob Booker, Paddy Roche, Alan Whitehead, Tony Mahoney, Danis Salman.

Front Row: Tony Spencer, Keith Cassells, Terry Hurlock, Chris Kamara, Terry Bullivant, Francis Joseph, Graham Wilkins, Terry Rowe.

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'Previous Encounters'

Brentford visit Burnden Park today for the ninth time in league football with the Wanderers having won 5 and drawn 6 of the previous 16 games.

The 'Bees' only victory here came on the opening day of the 1935/36 season when both clubs had just been promoted from the second division the previous year. The Londoners had the better of the first half and were inspired by a goal from Holliday after only 8 minutes. Their second goal came just before the interval when Holliday was again on the mark after Wanderers' keeper Jones had saved from Fletcher.

The crowd of 30,000 were kept quiet when Brentford kept up the second half pressure. They didn't score any more goals but the Wanderers best chances fell to Milsom, Cook and Westwood which all went begging.

The following December the Wanderers visited London for the return game and went down to their heaviest defeat against today's opponents by 4 goals to nil.

McCulloch scored a hat-trick with McKenzie scoring a late goal to complete the rout and the only double between the two sides.

Our last first division game with Brentford took place here in May 1947 with a 1-0 win for the home side avenging a similar result the previous November at Griffin Park. The Wanderers' goal came from a Lol Hamlett penalty before a crowd of 17,879 and ended a run of five consecutive defeats. Brentford were relegated after this result whilst the Wanderers finished in 18th position.

Our paths didn't cross again until August 1972 when in a third division game Brentford defeated the Wanderers 2-1 at Griffin Park with goals from Mike Allen and Alan Murray which lifted them into 2nd place in the table. Bolton's goal came from John Byrom before Brentford's best league game of the season of 11,800.

The return at Burnden the following April was a complete contrast for both clubs. Wanderers ran out 2-0 winners and were presented with the third division championship whilst Brentford were relegated back after only 12 months in the division. The goals came from John Byrom and Peter Nicholson and the crowd was 21,646. The teams were: Bolton — C. Wright, Ritson, McAllister, Rimmer, P. Jones, Nicholson, Waldron, Byrom, Greaves, Lee, Phillips. Brentford: Priddy, Bence, Nemes, Gelson, Scales, Murray, Webb, Houston, Woon, Cross, Salvage. Sub: Graham for Salvage.

In the F.A. Cup both clubs were drawn together at the third round stage in 1976. The game at Griffin Park was scoreless although the crowd of 12,450 produced the club's record receipts at the time of £8,032.

The replay at Burnden was won by Bolton with Neil Whatmore scoring two goals to win a tie at Huddersfield in the next round.

'FLASHBACK'

15 years ago

30th November 1968. The Wanderers registered their third away win of the season with a 4-1 win over Preston North End. Warwick Rimmer returned to the side at the expense of Geoff Bromilow and he chipped in with one of the goals this being his first of the season. John Byrom scored two and Gareth Williams got the other to end the mini goal famine.

4th December 1968. Norwich City visited Burnden for a rearranged league game and went home with a point in a 1-1 draw. The Wanderers were unchanged and took the lead after 9 minutes with a goal from John Byrom.

Norwich's equaliser came from John Manning who was to join the Wanderers the following March.

10 years ago

5th December 1973. The smallest attendance of the season 8,425 was at Burnden for the visit of high-flying Sunderland. The game was played on a Wednesday afternoon due to the restrictions on floodlighting. Peter Thompson played his first game in a Bolton shirt after he had signed on a loan period from Liverpool, although the 7 first division managers and a host from other divisions were there to run the rule over Sunderland's Dennis Tueart.

The Wanderers outplayed the visitors and registered only their second win in 11 games with a Neil Whatmore goal separating the sides.

5 years ago

2nd December 1978. The Wanderers registered their first away win of the season with a 3-1 win at Queens Park Rangers. The Wanderers went ahead after 11 minutes when Alan Gowling headed home a Neil McNab cross. Frank Worthington scored the second with a simple tap in chance after a clever move by Willie Morgan.

The outstanding memory of this game was Frank Worthington's second goal which ranks alongside the one he scored against Ipswich Town here at Burnden. He picked up a loose ball just inside his own half and some brilliant ball control took him past John Hollins and Ernie Howe before chipping Phil Parkes from 25 yards.

Remembering what had happened at Chelsea earlier on in the season when the Wanderers lost a three goal lead it came as no surprise when the second half became something of a stalemate.

Rangers lowest first division gate of 11,635 gave the home side the slow hand-clap although they did pull one goal back through Rachid Harkouk after 53 minutes.

It was quite a day for Frank Worthington as his two goals took him to the top of the first division scoring charts but his booking after appearing to strike Ernie Howe took him past the 20 disciplinary points to face an F.A. hearing.

Footnote: This game saw the Wanderers collect their first win in 16 games in London extending back to January 1977. Currently the Wanderers have now gone 21 games without a win in the capital with the last victory being at Q.P.R. above.

Campbell.

Taylor and the rest of his Second Division team — MacFarland and Mick Jones — put their own plan to get their man.

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'Gerry's first'

A belated congratulations must go to Wanderers centre-half Gerry McElhinney on winning his first international cap for Northern Ireland. Gerry has been on the substitutes bench a number of times but his first game couldn't have come any harder than playing West Germany on their own soil. Manager Billy Bingham ranked their victory as good as the victory over Spain in last year's World Cup finals but the Germans recovered days later to beat Albania and pip the Irish for the European finals to be held in France next summer.

Gerry became the 48th player to win an international cap whilst playing for the Wanderers. The others that have turned out for Northern Ireland along with the number of caps won whilst with the Wanderers are Billy Hughes (1), Bill McAdams (9) and John Napier (1).

Reserve Report

15th November 1983 Everton Reserves 2 Bolton Reserves 1

The Wanderers reserves gave top of the league Everton a fright at Goodison Park and whilst they couldn't stop their one hundred per cent record they did become the first team to score against them.

George Oghani was the instigator of the Wanderers first two attacks and he seems to have settled down at Burnden and is putting in some consistent performances.

That Wanderers took the lead after 13 minutes to the astonishment of the larger than usual Central League crowd.

Paul Keighley won the ball in the middle of the field before sending a pass to Steve Saunders who fed George Oghani on the left wing. His low and accurate cross was touched home by Steve Saunders to wreck the home sides defensive record.

Unfortunately this set back for Everton saw them raise a gear and they equalised 4 minutes later when expensive signing Trevor Steven thundered a right foot shot into the bottom corner of the net from the edge of the penalty area.

The remainder of the first half continued to see play flow from end to end with both sides seeing chances wasted. Paul Booth was inches away from scoring with a looping header and Steve Saunders had two good efforts well saved by Jim Arnold in the Everton goal.

Trevor Steven scored Everton's winning goal after only 5 minutes of the second half. He hit a spectacular volley on the turn from 8 yards out. Whilst the Wanderers continued to go in search of an equaliser Everton continued to create more chances in the half and it was left to Wanderers keeper John Platt to keep them in the game.

Team: Platt, Davies, Phillips, McGovern, Berry, Darby S, Keighley, Saunders, Rudge, Booth, Oghani. Sub: Madden.

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Derby County	10	6	4	0	22
W.B.A.	12	6	3	3	21
Aston Villa	10	6	2	2	20
Liverpool	11	4	4	3	16
Manchester United	10	4	3	3	15
Stoke City	10	4	1	5	13
Leeds United	11	4	1	6	13
Sheffield Wednesday	9	4	1	4	13
Nottingham Forest	9	3	3	3	12
Newcastle United	8	4	0	4	12
Blackburn Rovers	8	3	1	4	10
Sheffield Wednesday	9	3	0	6	9
Burnley	10	2	2	6	8
Sunderland	10	2	1	7	7
Bolton Wanderers	12	2	0	10	6

Junior Whites News

The mascot for today's game in Damien Corcoran who is 8 years old.

Damien lives on Melrose Road, Little Lever and attends St Theresa's school and his favourite player is goalkeeper Simon Farnworth.



Supporters Association News

Don't forget that there are tickets still available for the fancy dress evening on December 19th in the Executive Suite. The players will be in attendance, in fancy dress, and tickets can be obtained from the development offices.



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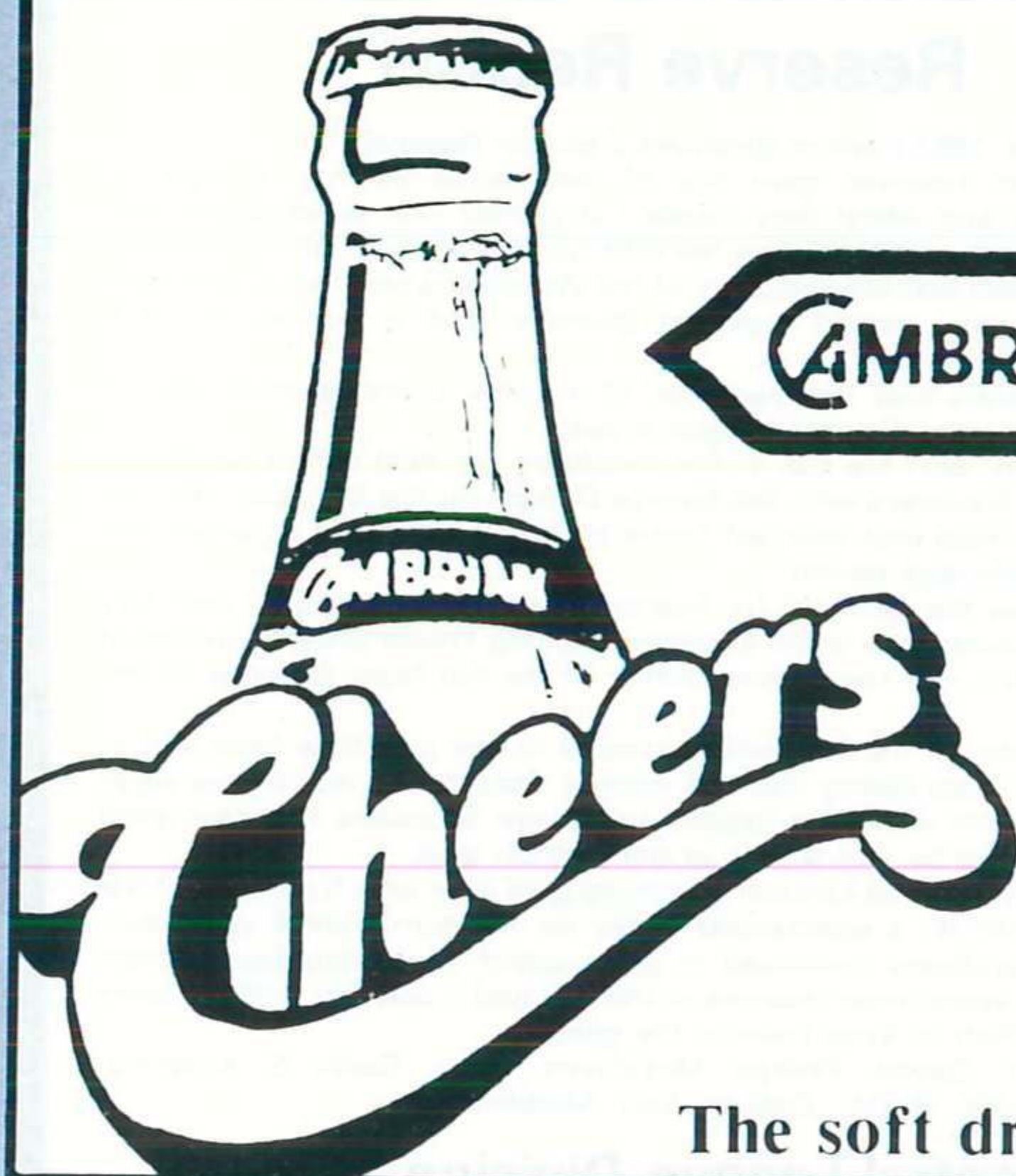
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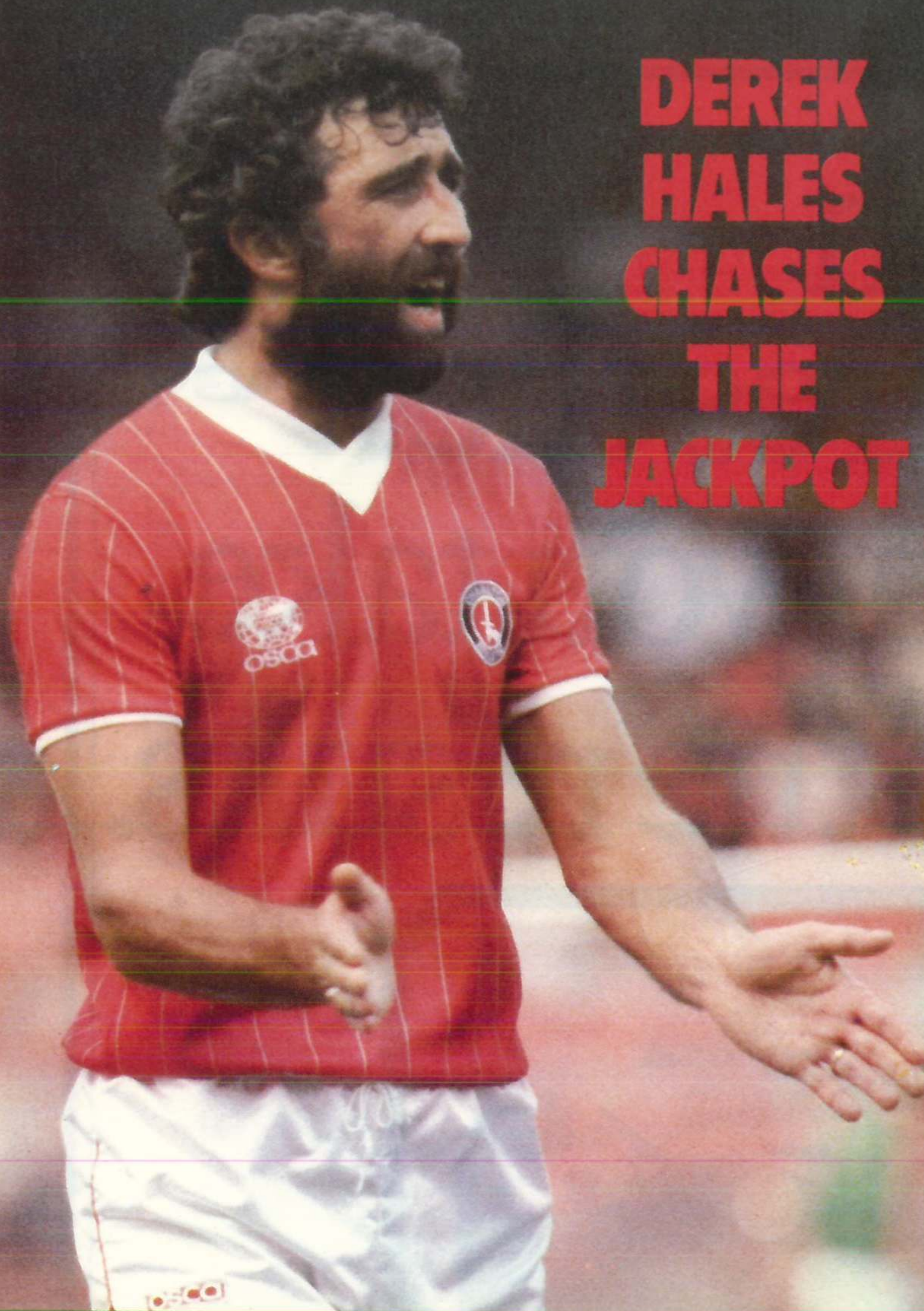
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DEREK HALES CHASES THE JACKPOT



CHARLTON ATHLETIC striker Derek Hales, scorer of 167 goals prior to the start of this season, has been chosen together with 19 other players as members of a select group of strikers on the trail of a £1,000 goals jackpot.

It is all part of the Harp Sharpshooters Promotion which is a nationally run competition for drinkers of Harp Lager. Consumers of this beverage will be asked to forecast which three of the named players will score most goals during the current 1983-84 season.

The players have been selected from all four divisions of the Canon League and Hales will be competing against such household names as Charlie Nicholas (Arsenal), Paul Mariner and Eric Gates (Ipswich Town), Paul Walsh (Luton Town), Frank Stapleton and Norman Whiteside (Manchester United), Clive Allen (Q.P.R.), Gordon Davies and Dean Coney (Fulham), Gary Bannister (Sheffield Wednesday), Stewart Evans and Alan Cork (Wimbledon), Francis Joseph and Keith Cassells (Brentford), Craig Madden (Bury), Clive Walker and Kerry Dixon (Chelsea), Mike Quinn (Stockport County) and Cyrille Regis

(West Bromwich Albion).

The public's entries have to be in by December 17, but the competition lasts until the end of the season and the *Daily Star* will keep everyone up to date with the running totals, as well as introducing monthly competitions offering free match tickets.

The players themselves are shooting for the £1,000 prize money which will be presented to the player who tops the goal scoring chart. The second and third placed players will collect cheques for £500 and £250 respectively and in addition there is a bonus of £5 for each goal scored.

Going on last season's figures Charlie Nicholas with 29 goals for Celtic in the league, was by far the most prolific scorer but the young Scot has not yet found his scoring touch since joining Arsenal.

"400"

Kerry Dixon, Chelsea's new goalscoring sensation, has had no trouble maintaining his form however. Kerry netted 26 goals (1 pen.) for Reading in

the Third Division last season and is already well on the way to establishing himself as Chelsea's leading marksman as the Blues challenge for promotion.

Other high scorers were Stockport's Mike Quinn 24 (2 pens.); Brentford's Francis Joseph 23; Craig Madden — 20 (1 pen.) for Bury and Gary Bannister Sheffield Wednesday's little sharp-shooter who bagged another 20 (5 pens.).

Madden is a prolific scorer with 62 goals to his credit in the past two seasons and by mid September this year he had added a further eight to that tally.

Fulham's Gordon Davies finished last season with 19 goals while joining Derek Hales on 14 were; Paul Walsh, Frank Stapleton and Stewart Evans.

Derek made his 400th senior appearance against Blackburn Rovers in November, up to which time he had scored 172 goals. The much travelled striker, who was born at Lower Halston, started his playing days with Dartford before signing up with Luton Town in 1971.

Made his Football League debut as a substitute for the Hatters at Brighton in February 1973 and made his first full debut in the following game, at home to Cardiff City, when he scored in the 1-1 draw.

STAY SHARP

In September, 1973, Luton found their young striker surplus to requirements and loaned him to Charlton Athletic. Again he made a scoring debut in the 4-3 win over Blackburn Rovers at the Valley on September 11. By the time the loan period was up Derek had scored seven goals in nine League games, and Charlton's then manager, Theo Foley, made the move permanent for just £4,000.

In December 1976 Charlton were tempted to part with Hales when Derby County paid up £300,000 for his transfer. The bearded goalscorer had already netted 16 goals for Charlton that season and the prospect of First Division football at the Baseball Ground was very tempting.

In retrospect that move turned out to be the worst decision he ever made. Hales just did not settle in and after only 22 First Division games in which he scored but four goals, he was transferred by the Rams to West Ham United.

The fee this time was a bargain £110,000 but again he proved out of place and after 18 months of frustration in the First Division, Derek returned to the Valley for £75,000.

Back on his old stamping ground the goals again began to flow and that milestone 400th senior game last month was his 336th in Charlton's colours. In that period he has scored 154 goals for Charlton, a commendable record and it was perhaps fitting that his 400th game should be against Blackburn Rovers — the team against whom he made his debut for the Valiants.

Now Derek is not only chasing that £1,000 cheque but Stuart Leary's all-time Charlton record of 163 League and Cup goals.

The slogan says 'Harp stay Sharp' and that is exactly what Derek Hales — 32 this December — intends to do . . . to the bottom of his studs.

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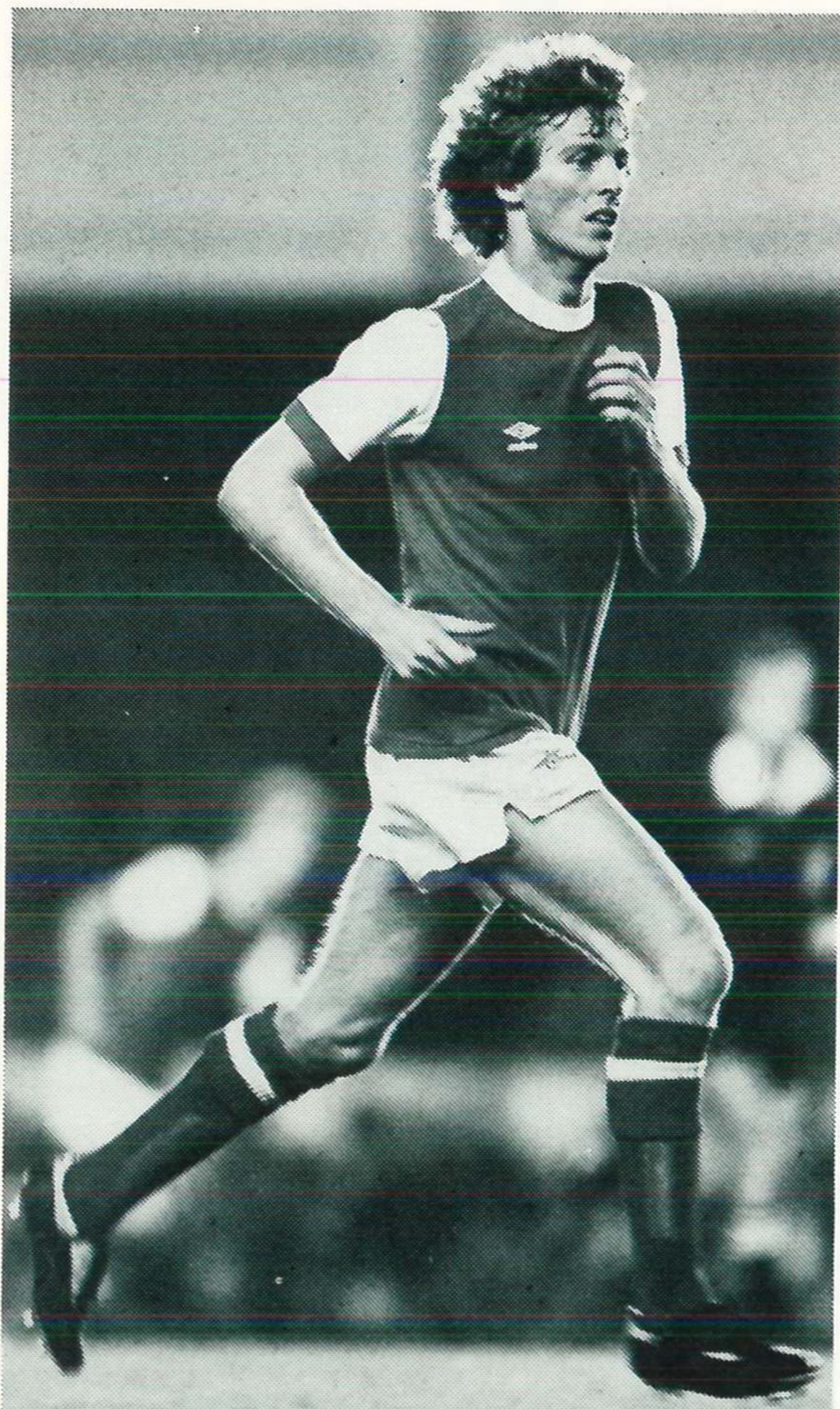
Ray Bradley of the 'Sunday Express' writes for you

They are a dying breed in an age of austerity. They are scornfully dubbed as "scouts", but are often treated as doormats . . . those lucky enough to be employed.

Marvellous marathon men who clock up around 1,000 miles a week in the never ending search for young talent. But ever lonely mile on the motorway will be rewarded if they discover a football gem: a rough diamond who may one day be worth his weight in gold.

They stand in splendid isolation on empty terraces chilled to the bone; in anonymous parks watching schoolboys in wind and rain, men who cannot afford to complain.

The dedicated search for gold in untapped mines, it is a lonely vigil, an unpublicised and often unpleasant task for these eagle-eyed master spies. And if you don't come up with the goods there is a fair chance you will get the chop by a manager who will not think twice about signing somebody else's reject for £100,000. A thankless task unless you happen to strike gold.



Graham Rix — Arsenal and England, one of "Nobby's" discoveries.

Few have struck such a rich vein of talent as master scout Gordon Clark, once chief scout at Arsenal but now working as a freelance. He has unearthed over £10 million worth of talent for various clubs in a long career.

He played for Manchester City for 12 unrewarding years, went through managerial traumas at Peterborough, West Bromwich and Aldershot before moving to the hallowed halls of Highbury where he was chief scout for nine years before he quit, following the arrival of Terry Neill.

"Nobby", as he is affectionately known to his multitude of friends in football, can justifiably claim that he brought a host of household names to Highbury and his craggy features crease into a broad grin when he reels off the golden names . . . Liam Brady, David O'Leary, Ray Kennedy, Graham Rix, Frank Stapleton, John Roberts are just a few of his discoveries.

With characteristic modesty he refuses to differentiate between any of "his boys". Each one remains a personal friend, an individual personality who will still confide in him when times are lean and friends are few. Yes, and he remembers their mums and dads, sisters and brothers too.

"Patience", he stresses, "is the main attribute of any good scout. You must be willing to go anywhere, at any time and face a thousand frustrations before you land the lad you want. You must know exactly what you are looking for and back your own judgment. Character is the most important factor, but the hardest to judge.

"Ability is, of course, of paramount importance, but if the lad has not got the right attitude and character, you are wasting your time."

Clark's departure from Highbury can only be measured in the money they have spent to rekindle those glory days of the "double". Now he acts as a scout for Watford and his phone never stops ringing from managers and scouts who still seek his advice.

Jimmy Thompson, a striker who gave 20 years service to clubs like Luton, West Ham, Sunderland and Chelsea, is another of soccer's super spies. His record as a Chelsea scout remains unique . . . Greaves, Venables, Hollins, Tambling, Ron and Alan Harris. A litany of Stamford Bridge stars.

"My lads have won nearly 500 caps between them," says Jimmy proudly, "and I'm still disappointed that Chelsea allowed Trevor Brooking to slip through the net after I recommended him. But that is all part of the game."

Former Birmingham chief scout Don Dorman remains one of the most respected talent hunters in this specialised field. His discoveries included Trevor Francis and earned more than £4 million in transfer fees. Yet, after nearly 30 years sterling service with Blues, he was shown the door.

But his loyalty to soccer remains unshaken even if he has a right to feel bitter. His message to all clubs is simple: "Let youngsters develop their talents rather than submerge them in theory and dogma. You look for ability and flair and when you find it you do not expect it to be drilled out of them in a few years. That is why our game is sinking fast."

Yes, these marvellous men still manage to retain their dignity — even in adversity. They are still pitifully paid — expenses and mileage only in many cases — yet, without them, there would be no £1 million stars.

You cannot measure their value in money, only in the service they give the game. For most of them it is still a labour of love. And make no mistake, you have to love the game to keep doing the same job for so long and for so little. God bless them all.

ENGLAND'S
YOUNG ONES

Nigel
Callaghan



Colin Benson continues his series on the stars of England's Under-21 team. With England being dumped out of the European Championship Bobby Robson's priority is now to formulate a squad of players capable of qualifying for the next World Cup Final series in Mexico in 1986.

The qualifying rounds will commence next season and it will be to the highly successful Under-21 squad — they are the reigning European Champions — that the England manager will turn first when looking for new talent.

Amongst those tipped to be part of England's future is Watford's exciting teenage winger Nigel Callaghan, whose talents go further than those seen on the football field as you will discover.

NIGEL CALLAGHAN, the slim-line jinking forward who has thrilled crowds all over Europe does not really think of himself as a winger, not in the orthodox sense anyway.

He says: "I have got to where I am now playing on the flank but I don't really consider myself as a winger. I started off playing in that position because I was too small to play in midfield and I just seem to have stayed there.

"I enjoy playing on the wing, particularly with Watford where my defensive responsibilities are not too great, I'm always encouraged to stay up and that gives me a lot of freedom.

"The only trouble is that when you play on the line you find that defenders double up on you to deny you any space to run into. You can only go forward, sideways or back anyway and when one man stops you going inside and the other blocks off your run on the outside it does not leave you much alternative.

"What it boils down to basically is making the right decision quickly. Sometimes you have a second or two as they come at you and you can whip a cross in straight away and take two of them out of the game. If you decide to take them on you have to know you can beat them or you have to lay the ball off.

"It is happening more and more to me, now that I am becoming known, that they will stick two men on me. It makes it harder but I think if a team gets on top of another and they have wingers in the side then they will shine."

CONFIDENCE

There is probably no more exciting sight in football than a flank man skimming past a lunging defender to open up a defence: "I think that's right," smiles Cally. "When I get the ball out wide I can feel the anticipation in the crowd who are willing me to do something. I feel a little pang in the stomach because they expect me to do things. If you do it then the glory is yours . . . it's great, it's a nice position to play in."

In the last two years Nigel has rocketed to fame. Barely out of youth team football he found himself hailed as an international class player and in the England Under-21 squad. Did

everything happen quicker than he had anticipated?

"I don't know really. I have always expected to get into the England side because that is the way I am. I set myself targets. I may not always achieve them in the time I set but I always expect to get there eventually.

"To be quite honest I don't think my selection for the Under-21 side came too soon. Footballers are making the grade earlier and earlier now, and the gaffer at Watford has encouraged me to play on the wing and take players on and it is really down to him that I have got international recognition.

"This season has been a bit dodgy for me though. I have just got to keep working at my game and try and improve myself."

Watford of course play with two wingers which means they can stretch the play both sides. Does this help?

"It is easier if you are on top," replies Nigel. "On the wing you rely on the service from midfield and the front men and if the opposition take a grip then you can find yourself frozen out of the game . . . And when you do get the ball in those type of games you know you have got to do something with it because you only get one or two chances.

"If you have two wingers it helps when you are on top and when you have two big men up front looking for the service."

RHYTHM

What about the Watford style? Does that help to form a future England winger?

"Everyone is on about the Watford style," smiles Nigel. "We just basically try to pick up on loose balls that is all it is. We play balls into space, close players down and contain them in their own half. The Watford style, if that is what you want to call it, is all about going forward . . . If you are an attacking player then you would love it at Watford.

"In all honesty it means that I am not used to the way England play. They knock the ball around at the back and in midfield but it is a new experience and I'm learning all the time. Learning to adapt and cope with different situations and I get as much of the ball playing for

England as I do with the club but there are more players around to accept passes so I don't have to take people on quite so often.

"My target now is to get into the full international side although I have got to find the knack of scoring a few more goals. People recognise goal scorers. I've got to get into double figures this season."

So those are Nigel's next targets on the road to fame, but this likeable young man has talents in other directions and ones that might interest his chairman Elton John.

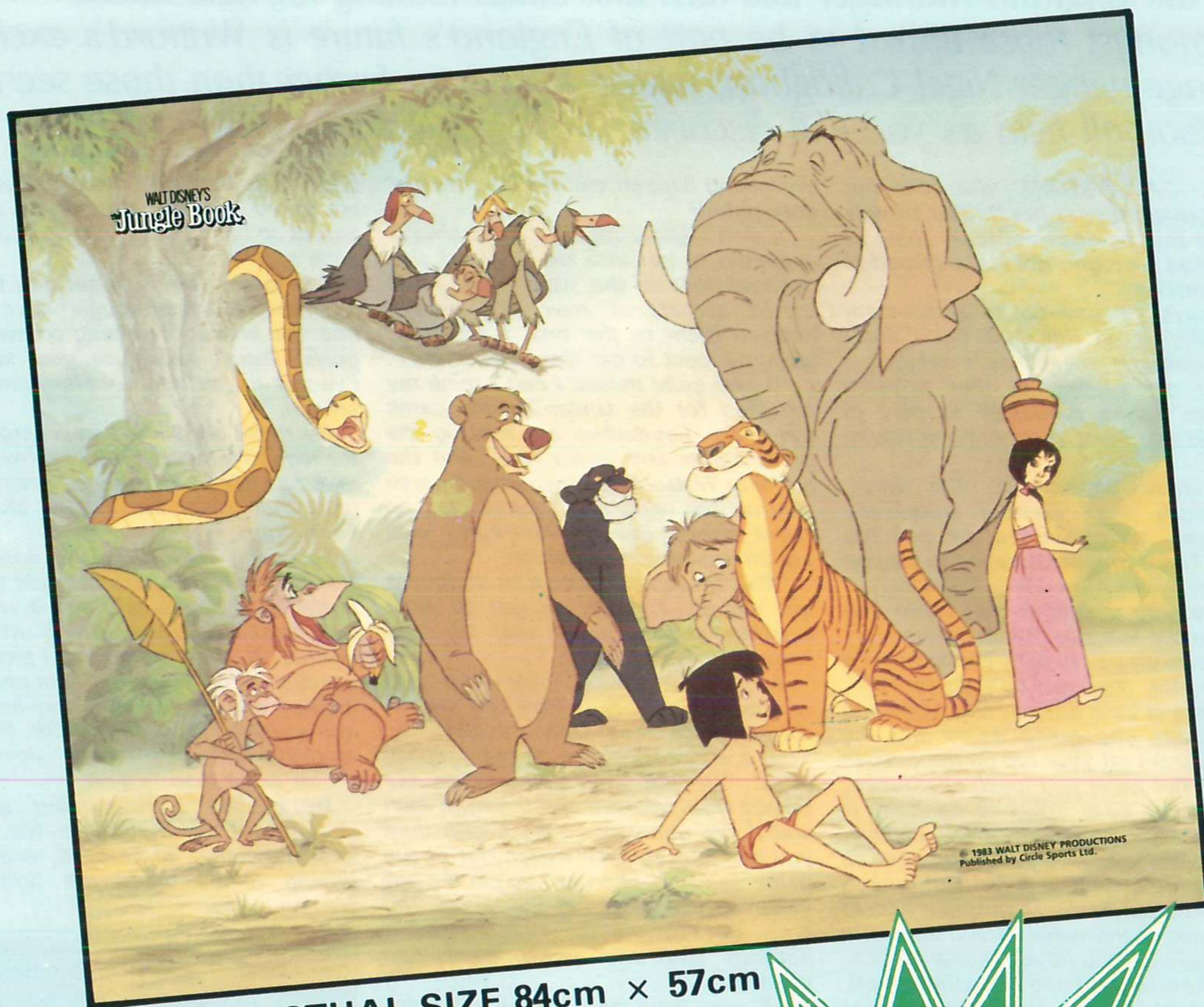
Following the decisive win over Hungary in Nyireghaza the lads relaxed in the local dance hall, and it was not long before Cally was sitting up at the drums. "It is just something I picked up at school," he laughed, "I am musically minded and have a little key-board at home which I mess about with. But that was the first time I have played the drums since then."

He proved a resounding success beating out the rhythm on the drums and now this 21-year-old winger is hoping to be doing the Samba in Mexico in '86.



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A STRUGGLING COMBINATION

By Colin Benson

As a small boy I can remember standing on the terraces at Dean Court watching Bournemouth take on the likes of Tottenham Hotspur and Arsenal in the Football Combination. It was better than watching the first team compete in the Third Division because not only did we have a better view but the calibre of the visiting players was far higher than those usually competing in the League games.

In those days Football League clubs — even in the lower divisions — carried playing staffs of 40 or so players and you could guarantee that there would be a fair sprinkling of big name players in the reserve sides of the bigger clubs.

The Football Combination was considered the premier competition outside of the League itself. Originally formed as a first team competition in 1915, when it was known as the London Combination, it served to provide regular football for the capital's major clubs during the First World War.

On the ending of hostilities the Combination became a Reserve team competition, designed to keep those players not engaged in the first team on a Saturday afternoon match fit. To this end it worked perfectly and grew in stature until it had between 36 and 38 member clubs.

The games were always played on a Saturday afternoon and staged in the main stadiums of the clubs so providing regular entertainment for the supporters. The reserve games did not attract as many people as the first teams obviously but gates of 10,000-12,000 were not uncommon for Combination games.

The Combination was split into two divisions and showed great foresight by introducing three-up and three-down which helped to maintain the interest right to the end.

Then in the early sixties some clubs decided they would

rather play their reserve games in midweek. The competition was divided into two divisions, one playing on Saturday, the other in midweek, but after two years they reverted back to the original format with midweek games permitted by mutual consent.

Everything went smoothly until nine clubs, concerned about travelling expenses, broke away to form the Midweek Football League at the end of the sixties. The idea was to form a nucleus of London based clubs to keep the overheads down, and amongst those clubs was included Q.P.R., Watford, Luton, Millwall, Charlton Athletic and Brighton.

They all went back to the Football Combination eventually but the warning was there . . . the financial state of England's football industry was beginning to take its toll.

When Freedom of Contract came into being then the writing really was on the wall. Clubs were forced to pay their star players more and consequently cut their staffs in order to find the cash to do this, and in the last three years the pruning has been so thorough that clubs — some of them in the First Division — are trying to get by with only 18 to 20 players.

The effect on reserve team football is obvious. For all but the biggest clubs it is simply impossible to field more than one team on a Saturday afternoon and consequently regular Saturday afternoon Football Combination games are now a thing of the past.

"It's not a league any more it is a joke to a certain extent," complains Tottenham Hotspur chief Keith Burkinshaw, who explains:

"A couple of years ago we had a meeting when the clubs who were reducing their staffs said they could only play in midweek. Well that has escalated but what is even more infuriating is that clubs are pulling out of those fixtures as well at the drop of a hat.

"Last season I tried to do something about it by applying to join the Isthmian League as I don't think the Football Combination is much good to us now. We never know when we are going to play so can't keep players match fit, or where we are going to play. Many clubs now stick us on their training pitches instead of on the main ground . . . It is very disappointing.

"I feel they are going to have to re-think the whole thing out and either come up with an alternative or scrap the competition altogether.

"We would be happier in another league. The Isthmian League turned us down but if we could get into one of the top non-League competitions like the Southern League for instance, then we would."

The Isthmian League's reason for the rejection was that they were a feeder league and as such felt that Spurs might deprive some other club of progressing through the ranks.

I would have thought that was rather a short sighted view, for the presence of Spurs Reserves parading the likes of Ossie Ardiles, Alan Brazil and Garth Crooks would surely enhance any competition. Add to that the chance to play at White Hart Lane and Spurs have got to be an asset.

Peter Kirkup, the Secretary of the Football Combination for 21 years is sympathetic to Tottenham's dilemma. "It is all down to the ailing economics of football," he suggests.

Is this the beginning of the end for the Football Combination? "One can never tell," says Peter. "Economics could break it up but at the same time the bigger clubs like Spurs still need a competition for their reserves.

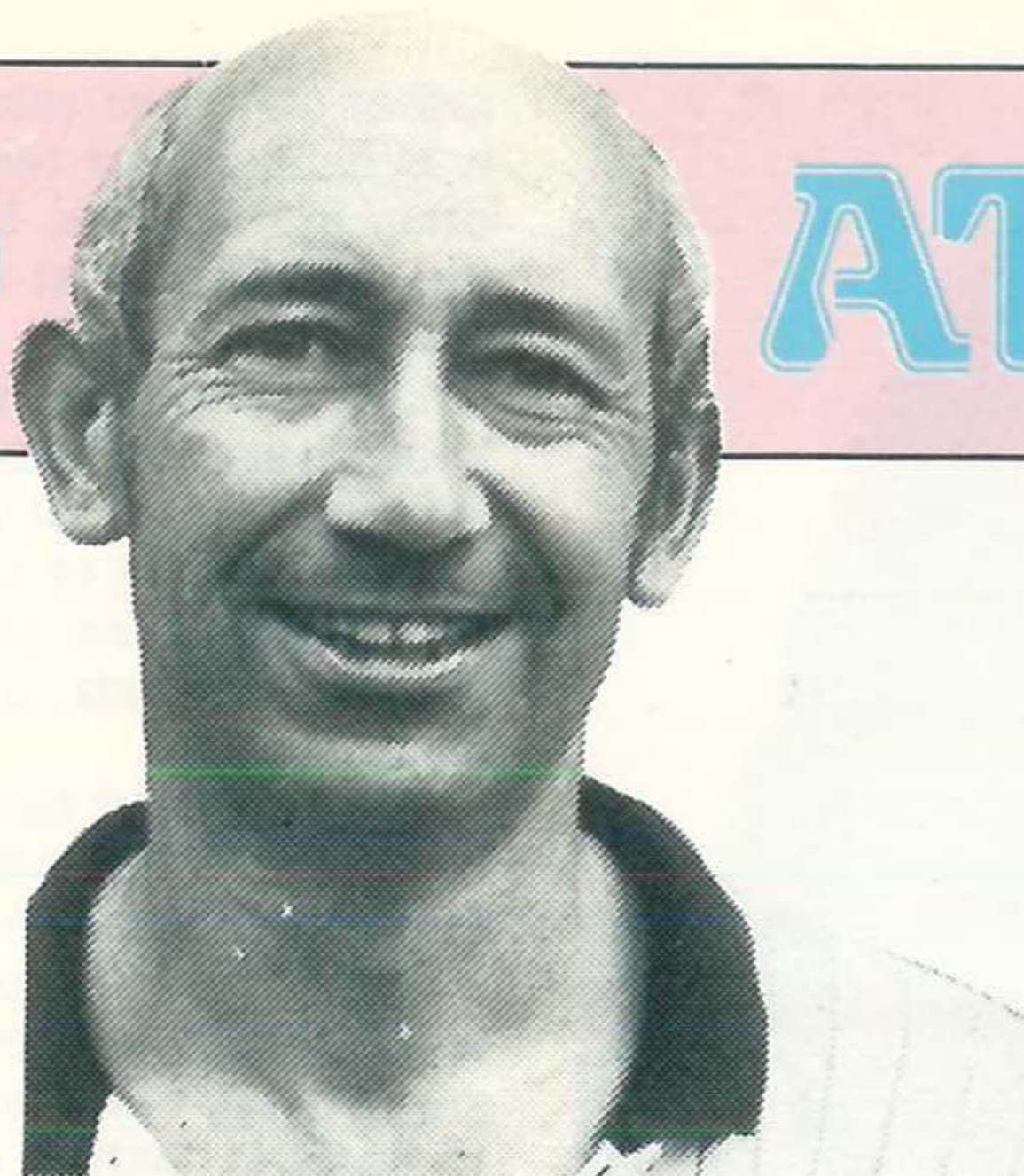
"The Central League — which consists mainly of northern League clubs' reserve teams — is also suffering from the same problems. Maybe we could think in terms of amalgamation so that the Liverpool's and Manchester United's could compete with Spurs and Arsenal at this level. This has not been discussed it is just a feeling on the way things could go.

"At the same time we must be loyal to some of the smaller clubs who have stood by us through the years."

For the likes of Tottenham there has to be change. In some cases League clubs' reserve sides are little more than their youth teams and as Keith Burkinshaw says: "It's kids against senior professionals. For the likes of Alan Brazil and Garth Crooks, playing against bits of kids who can't really play is not the right preparation for a recall to League football . . . It's a disaster all round."

BENNO

AT LARGE



Alan Minter is now punching for League football. The former world middle-weight boxing champion has become a director of Third Division Exeter City.

With so many London-based business interests including a pub at Penge and running a sporting club at the Europa Hotel in Mayfair, Exeter seems more than a good 15 rounds away from Alan's Sussex home.

"Not so", he says. "I'm really an adopted West Countryman. I am a great friend of Clifford Hill, the president of the Amateur Boxing Association's South-West Region. He is also Exeter City's chairman and I used to go down to Devon to relax after all my big fights.

"I was delighted when Clifford asked me if I would join the board. I've always been a bit of a football fanatic. Watching two good teams trying to out-think each other is more like boxing that most people imagine.

"I do miss the drama and the excitement of boxing though I'm not too sorry that people have stopped throwing punches at me. Now I find that football gets the adrenalin running like boxing used to.

"Because they are the nearest clubs to my home I have seen a fair bit of Brighton and Crystal Palace. I was at Millwall the other week, but it is not the same when you haven't a passionate interest in one side. My wife Lorraine says I'm a different bloke when I've been watching Exeter.

"I should think so, too. When they built a bar in the vice-president's club they named it after me. Now if somebody can tell me the name of

another boxer who has had a bar on a football ground named after him . . .

"I spend a lot of time putting something back into boxing at amateur level. I think I can offer League football something in return for the pleasure it gives me.

"I've been able to pass on quite a bit to the Exeter lads in training. Not with the ball, I assure you — I don't think the manager, my old friend Gerry Francis, the former England captain, rates me too highly — but on the fitness side. And if anybody reckons footballers don't sweat it out, then they've only got to ask me.

"It is fascinating being involved with one of the smaller clubs. Of course, I get a thrill visiting one of the big club grounds, but if Exeter is typical of the lower division clubs there is a great feeling of all belonging together — the family atmosphere.

"The fans appreciate that there isn't as much money about as we'd like. They understand that we are trying to survive at a time when survival is the name of the game at our level.

"I think our players go out and play for the fans as much as for the club

and their wages. When the fans get behind the team, my mind goes back to the big nights at Wembley when all the fans were behind me.

"For me, football at the grass roots of the Canon League is the place to be. I do like to be close enough to the action to feel the punches!"

Minter is not the only boxer to be involved with football. The Terry Lawless stable are all keen West Ham United fans and indeed the Hammers physiotherapist Rob Jenkins services the likes of big Frank Bruno, Charlie Magri and Mark Kaylor when the need arises.

Lawless is always intrigued by the psychology of sportsmen and says: "A lot of the time that is what it is all about. I look at athletes and footballers and wonder how they tick, what goes on in their minds? Why is Trevor Brooking still so good?"

For the British middleweight champion Mark Kaylor the interest is much more polarised. He says: "I get such a thrill watching West ham . . . I don't support football as such in fact I would be bored watching any other team. But I have this strong gut feeling with the Hammers, I can identify with them."

A regular visitor to Highbury is the legendary former European and British champion Henry Cooper who has always supported the Arsenal, so soccer and the fight game have many close links.

I can't recall another fighter of the calibre of Alan Minter though, taking a seat on the board . . . It could be that the Grecians' fans will set a new vogue with "Exeter City Rule KO!"



Terry Lawless (centre) with Mark Kaylor (left) and Charlie Magri meet the West Ham players in the dressing room prior to the Hammers' First Division game with Notts County.

Bolton

A-Z

Part 11 — by Tony Pullein

F.A. Cup (Results continued)

1963/64 — 3 — Bath City (a) 1-1 (h) 3-0; — 4 — Preston (h) 2-2 (a) 1-2.
 1964/65 — 3 — Workington (h) 4-1; — 4 — Preston (a) 2-1; — 5 — Liverpool (h) 0-1.
 1965/66 — 3 — W.B.A. (h) 3-0; — 4 — Preston (h) 1-1 (a) 2-3.
 1966/67 — 3 — Crewe (h) 1-0; — 4 — Arsenal (h) 0-0 (a) 0-3.
 1967/68 — 3 — Nottm. Forest (a) 2-4.
 1968/69 — 3 — Northampton (h) 2-1; — 4 — Bristol Rovers (h) 1-2.
 1969/70 — 3 — Watford (h) 1-2.
 1970/71 — 3 — York (a) 0-2.
 1971/72 — 1 — Bangor City (h) 3-0; — 2 — Rossendale* (a) 4-1; — 3 — Torquay (h) 2-1; — 4 — Chelsea (a) 0-3.
 1972/73 — 1 — Chester (h) 1-1 (a) 1-0; — 2 — Shrewsbury (h) 3-0; — 3 — Charlton (a) 1-1 (h) 4-0; — 4 — Cardiff (h) 2-2 (a) 1-1 (at W.B.A.) 1-0; — 5 — Luton (h) 0-1.
 1973/74 — 3 — Stoke (h) 3-2; — 4 — Southampton (a) 3-3 (h) 0-2.
 1974/75 — 3 — W.B.A. (h) 0-0 (a) 0-4.
 1975/76 — 3 — Brentford (a) 0-0 (h) 2-0; — 4 — Huddersfield (a) 1-0; — 5 — Newcastle (h) 3-3 (a) 0-0 (at Leeds) 1-2.
 1976/77 — 3 — West Ham (a) 1-2.
 1977/78 — 3 — Tottenham (a) 2-2; (h) 2-1; — 4 — Mansfield (h) 1-0; — 5 — Middlesbrough (a) 0-2.
 1978/79 — 3 — Bristol City (a) 1-3.
 1979/80 — 3 — Sunderland (a) 1-0; — 4 — Halifax (h) 2-0; — 5 — Arsenal (a) 1-1 (h) 0-3.
 1980/81 — 3 — Nottm. Forest (a) 3-3 (h) 0-1.

1981/82 — 3 — Derby (h) 3-1; — 4 — Crystal Palace (a) 0-1.

1982/83 — 3 — Arsenal (a) 1-2.

* (played at Bury).

FARRIMOND, Syd. Full-back Syd won England youth honours in his early days at Burnden Park. After making his League debut in 1959, he made a total of 364 League appearances before moving on to Shrewsbury in January 1971. He remained for only a month before signing for Tranmere and he eventually concluded his playing days with Halifax.

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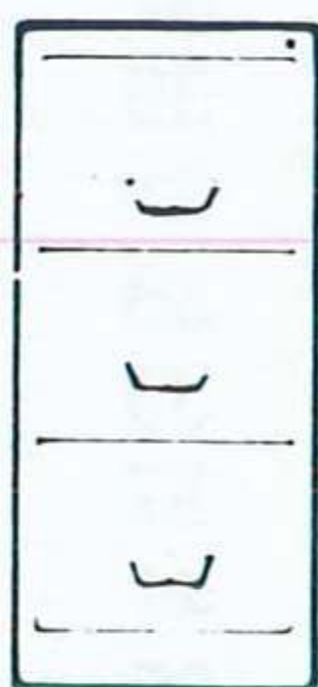
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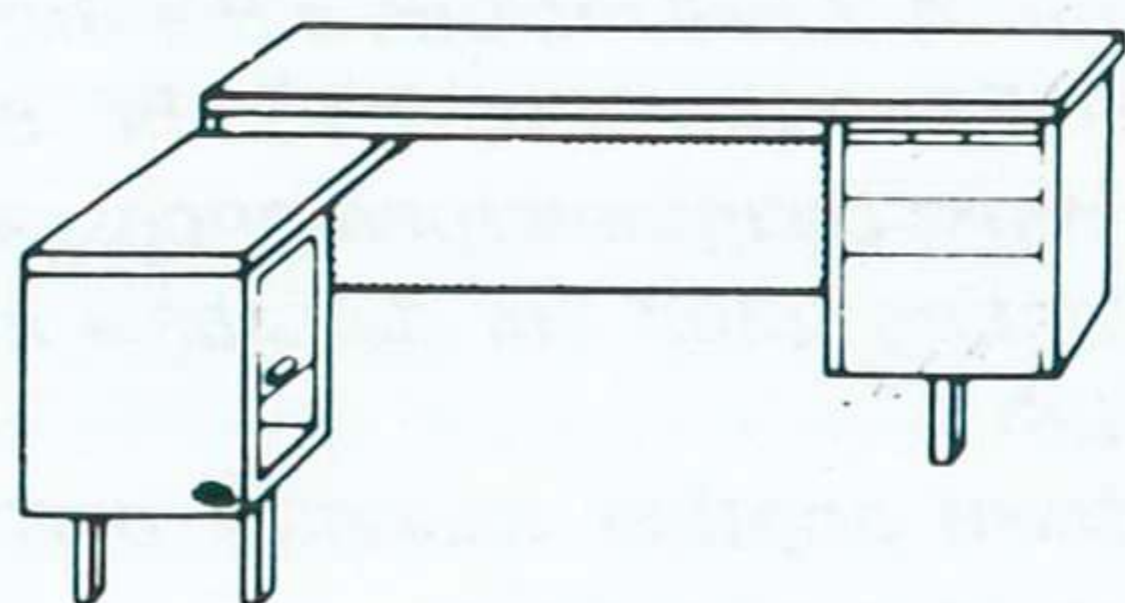
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Sept.	30 Chester City MC1 (1st Leg)
	3 Bradford City
	6 Gillingham
	10 Walsall
	14 Chester City MC1 (2nd Leg)
	16 Scunthorpe United
	24 Rotherham United
	27 Burnley
Oct.	1 Bristol Rovers
	8 Exeter City
	15 Newport County
	18 Hull City
	22 Port Vale
	29 Southend United
Nov.	2 Lincoln City
	5 Orient
	12 Plymouth Argyle
	19 Tranmere Rovers FAC1
	22 Tranmere Rovers FAC 1R
	26 AFC Bournemouth
Dec.	3 Brentford
	10 Mansfield Town FAC2
	17 Preston North End
	26 Wigan Athletic
	27 Oxford United
	31 Sheffield United
1984	
Jan.	2 Millwall
	7 Bradford C. (FA 3)
	14 Wimbledon
	21 Scunthorpe United
	28 Walsall (FA 4)
Feb.	4 Bristol Rovers
	11 Rotherham United
	14 Lincoln City
	17 Southend U. (FA 5)
	25 Port Vale
Mar.	3 Hull City
	6 Orient
	10 Plymouth A. (FA 6)
	17 Exeter City
	24 Newport C. (MC F)
	31 Burnley
Apr.	7 Gillingham
	14 Brentford (FA SF)
	20 Oxford United
	21 Wigan Athletic
	28 AFC Bournemouth
May	5 Millwall
	7 Sheffield United
	12 Preston North End
	19 FA Cup Final



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Simon Rudge scoring our second goal in the replay against Tranmere.

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FACTS

CANON LEAGUE DIVISION THREE

(UP TO AND INCLUDING SATURDAY 26TH NOVEMBER 1983)

	HOME			AWAY			GOALS		GOALS		Pts
	P	W	D	L	F	A	F	A	F	A	
Oxford United	17	6	3	0	24	11	4	1	3	13	34
Bristol Rovers	17	8	0	0	19	6	2	3	4	8	33
Hull City	17	6	2	1	21	7	2	6	0	6	32
Sheffield United	17	5	4	0	23	8	4	1	3	11	32
Walsall	17	6	0	2	18	8	3	4	2	9	31
Burnley	17	8	0	1	28	7	0	4	4	6	28
Orient	17	5	2	1	13	4	3	2	4	8	28
Wimbledon	16	6	2	0	26	10	2	1	5	10	27
Gillingham	16	6	1	2	23	13	2	2	3	8	27
Newport County	17	4	4	0	12	8	3	2	4	9	27
Bolton Wanderers	17	5	2	1	19	6	2	3	4	9	26
Lincoln City	17	6	2	1	19	7	2	0	6	5	26
Millwall	17	7	1	1	16	7	0	4	4	14	26
Plymouth Argyle	16	4	3	1	11	4	2	1	5	8	22
Wigan Athletic	17	3	2	4	10	11	2	4	2	7	21
Rotherham United	16	4	1	3	8	6	2	1	5	10	20
Southend United	16	3	4	1	15	8	1	2	5	10	18
Preston North End	17	3	2	4	16	15	1	2	5	5	16
Scunthorpe United	17	3	3	2	11	10	0	3	6	9	15
AFC Bournemouth	17	4	1	4	14	12	0	2	6	6	15
Brentford	16	2	5	1	13	11	0	2	6	8	13
Exeter City	17	0	3	5	5	14	2	3	4	14	12
Bradford City	16	0	5	2	7	11	2	0	7	10	11
Port Vale	16	1	2	4	6	9	0	1	8	8	6

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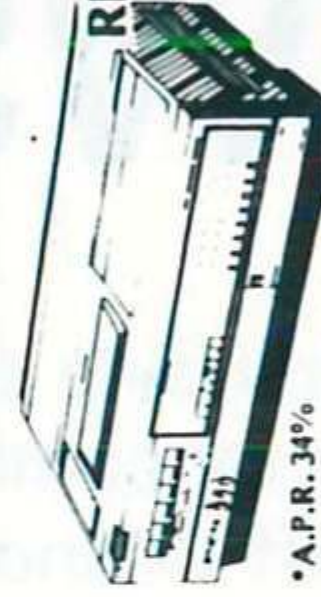
**CENTRAL
LEAGUE FIXTURES**

Date	Opponents	Goals F A
1983		
Aug.	31 Burnley	4-0
Sept.	7 Newcastle Utd.	0-2
	14 Derby County	0-6
	20 Manchester Utd.	0-2
	28 Sheffield Wed.	1-2
Oct.	4 Liverpool	0-6
	13 Nottingham F.	0-4
	19 Blackburn R.	2-4
	27 Sheffield Utd	1-3
Nov.	9 Aston Villa	0-4
	15 Everton	1-2
	23 Leeds United	2-0
	30 Stoke City	
Dec.	7 Sunderland	
	14 West Brom A.	
	21 Newcastle Utd.	
1984		
Jan.	11 Liverpool	
	17 Derby County	
	25 Manchester Utd.	
	31 Sheffield Wed.	
Feb.	8 Nottingham F.	
	22 Blackburn R.	
	29 Aston Villa	
Mar.	14 Sheffield Utd.	
	20 Burnley	
	28 Everton	
Apr.	2 Leeds United	
	11 Stoke City	
	18 Sunderland	
	25 West Brom. A.	

NEXT HOME GAMES
CENTRAL LEAGUE
Wednesday 7th December
v
Sunderland Reserves
K.O. 7.00 p.m.

F.A. CUP 2nd ROUND
Saturday 10th December
v
Mansfield Town
K.O. 3.00 p.m.

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THIRD DIVISION NEWS

Bolton became the first side this season to draw at Bournemouth by coming back from two Morgan goals. Jeff Chandler and Steve Thompson with his first league goal dampened the home side after their previous weeks impressive FA Cup win over in form side Walsall.

The Midlanders put behind them that defeat with a 1-0 win at Wigan with a second half goal from Rees.

Burnley equalled the season's biggest league winning margin with a 7-0 victory over bottom club Port Vale at Turf Moor. Kevin Reeves chipped in with a hat trick to help register his clubs eighth home win in nine games.

Other hat trick heroes' were Edwards of Sheffield United who defeated Southend 5-0 at Bramall Lane and John Fashanu who helped Lincoln to a surprise 4-0 win over Bristol Rovers.

Brentford went down to their first home defeat of the season at the hands of lowly Bradford City before their lowest league gate of the season. Hull City also had their lowest gate but defeated Orient 2-1 with both their goals coming from Whitehurst.

Oxford United went to the top of the division with a 2-0 win over Newport County their goals coming from Thomas and Vinter.

Preston needed a goal 5 minutes from time to defeat Exeter City at Deepdale with Kelly getting his second of the match. Exeter were reduced to 10 players after 55 minutes when Atkinson was given his marching orders for a foul on Clark.

Gillingham defeated Rotherham 4-2 at Priestfield with a brace coming from Weatherly and Mehmet and Millwall defeated a Scunthorpe side yet to win away from home by 2-1.

THIRD DIVISION FACTS AND FIGURES

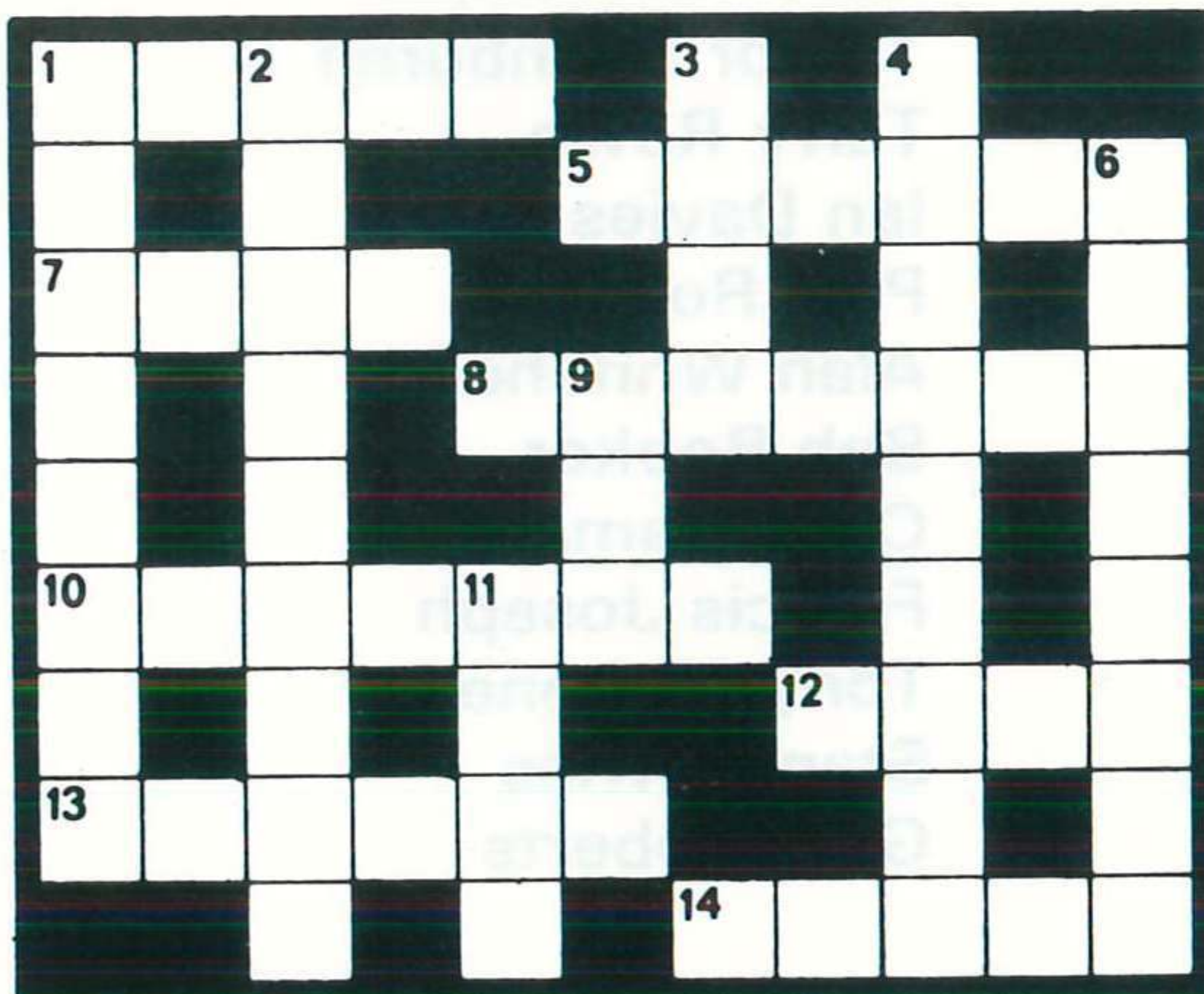
AS AT 26th NOVEMBER 1983

Team	Best Attendance	Average Attendance	Leading Goalscorer
BOLTON W.	9,709 v Burnley	5,777	Caldwell 13
BOURNEMOUTH	4,758 v Oxford U.	3,810	Morgan 8
BRADFORD C.	3,548 v Millwall	2,899	Haire 5
BRENTFORD	8,042 v Burnley	4,961	Joseph 7
BRISTOL ROV.	7,021 v Burnley	5,233	Williams, Barrett 5
BURNLEY	9,551 v Sheff. Utd.	6,777	Hamilton 11
EXETER C.	4,742 v Walsall	3,527	McEwan 6
GILLINGHAM	6,226 v Millwall	3,910	Mehmet 8
HULL CITY	16,728 v Sheff. Utd.	9,296	Whitehurst 8
LINCOLN C.	6,686 v Sheff. Utd.	3,957	Jack 8
MILLWALL	6,709 v Burnley	4,870	Chatterton, Bremner 6
NEWPORT CO.	5,015 v Bristol Rov.	3,370	Aldridge 10
OXFORD UTD.	7,884 v Hull City	6,181	Lawrence 8
ORIENT	4,206 v Bristol Rov.	3,444	Houchen 6
PLYMOUTH A.	5,458 v Sheff. Utd.	4,048	Phillips 4
PORT VALE	4,897 v Bradford C.	4,300	Steele 3
PRESTON N.E.	6,661 v Hull City	4,470	Elliott 6
ROTHERHAM U.	5,518 v Orient	4,302	Gooding 5
SCUNTHORPE U.	4,406 v Bolton W.	3,115	Cammack 5
SHEFFIELD U.	12,441 v Preston	10,331	Edwards 13
SOUTHEND U.	4,272 v Millwall	3,274	Phillips 8
WALSALL	4,964 v Bristol Rov.	3,778	Brown 8
WIGAN A.	4,858 v Hull City	3,503	Taylor, Bruce 5
WIMBLEDON	3,821 v Oxford U.	2,841	Cork 12

CROSSWORD No. 11

ACROSS

- 1 & 5. Scorer of the first League goal of this season (5,6)
7. Stopper Billy sounds like a complete club from across the border (4)
8. It provided 1 & 5 *across* with his goal (7)
10. Keeper whose 1960s to 1980s career began with West Ham, although Lincoln proved to be his principal club (7)
12. He tasted success with Sunderland in his long stay (1964-1979) there before winding down with Blackpool and Hartlepool (4)
13. — — — Bonhof, famous West German star (6)
14. Club which mooted a move to Milton Keynes (5)



DOWN

1. Old Yorkshire brothers (and England men) Colin and Jack or their cousins, the brothers Dennis and Jack (8)
2. An ever-present for Shrewsbury last season after arriving from Anfield (9)
3. Exeter has been his principal club, but he is *always* a principal keeper!! (4)
4. Referees ran into controversy last season when they began to — — — the professional foul rule (9)
6. His mid-1960s to mid-1970s period with Pompey brought him 100 goals in 300 League games (3,6)
9. The career of the brilliant Brazilian Tostao was hampered and concluded by a damaged one (3)
11. Boss in turn of Barnsley, Blackburn and Bury (4)

Answers to No. 10: **ACROSS:** 6. Hinshelwood, 7. colours, 8. Alf, 10. red, 12. upright, 15. six-yard-line. **DOWN:** 1. Zico, 2 & 9 *dn.* Aston Villa, 3. Terry Park, 4 & 5. own goal, 9. See 2 *down*, 11 & 13. Eoin Hand, 14. bye.

PICK-NICK No. 11

Solve this cryptic clue to a club's nickname and then identify the club:

BLUNDER INTO ROWS WITH DOGS

Answer to No. 10:
CAN.ARIES (NORWICH CITY)

ANSWERS IN THE NEXT PROGRAMME

QUICK QUIZ No. 11

1. If Dalglish is the second to net League centuries in both Scotland and England, who was the first?
2. Which club scored 88 goals in 1982/83 yet finished only ninth?
3. Whom did Tim manage in the 1982 World Cup finals?
4. Which Italian club did Gordon Cowans *almost* join?
5. Manchester City 3, Manchester United 3, Forest 3, Arsenal 2, Wolves 1 — what?

Answers to No. 10

1. Huddersfield (1979/80), 2. Wimbledon (96), 3. Alf Grey, 4. Bond, Megson, 5. Sammy Chung (1977).

MIXED DOUBLES No. 11

Re-order the letters in each of the words

ELENA and **SWORE**

to find the names of two men called "Phil"

Answers to No. 10: CORNES, PEARSON

ON THE BALL No. 11

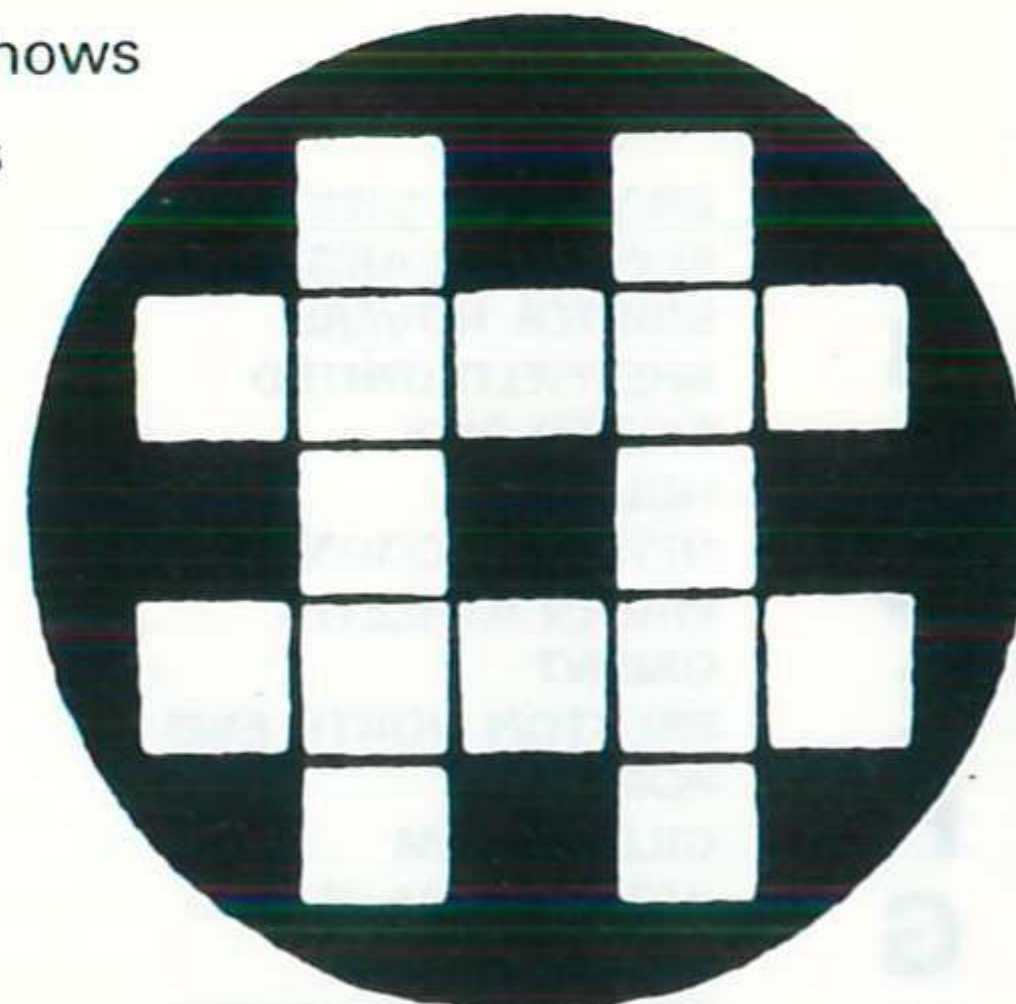
Every answer has five letters and the first one fits into the top line, but you have to decide where the rest must go.

He's Hilaireous

Irish international. *Irish???*

Aldershot's nickname shows

The number of W clubs



Answers to No. 10: BLUES, ELTON, DEREK, ROKER.

TEAMS

BOLTON WANDERERS

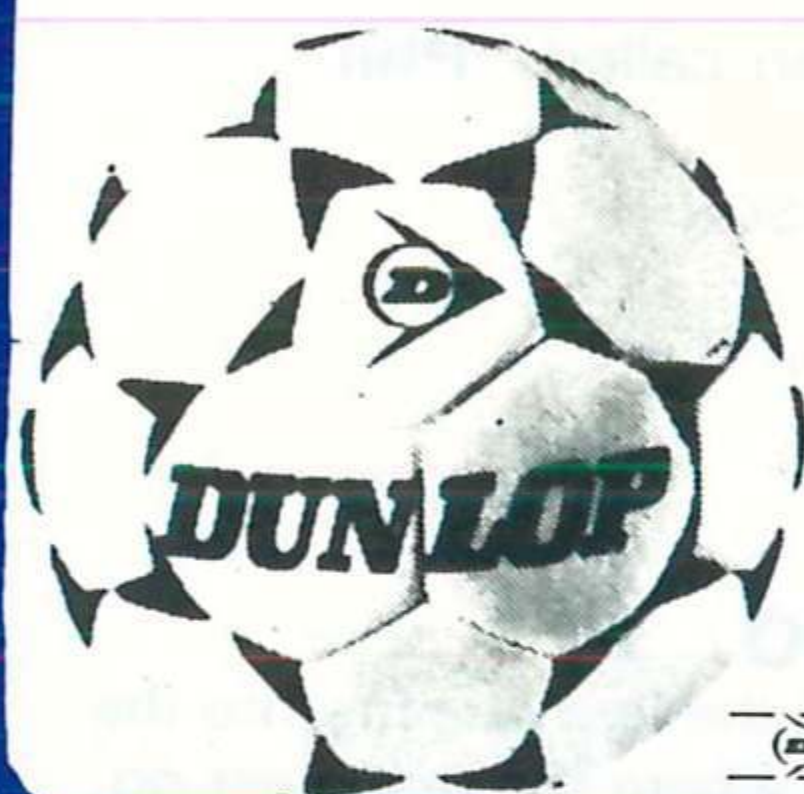
White & Navy Blue

Simon Farnworth	1
Brian Borrows	2
Ray Deakin	3
Warren Joyce	4
Gerry McElhinney	5
Peter Valentine	6
Steve Thompson	7
Jeff Chandler	8
Wayne Foster	9
Tony Caldwell	10
Neil Redfearn	11
	12

BRENTFORD

Red & White Stripes

Trevor Swinburne
Terry Rowe
Ian Davies
Paul Roberts
Alan Whitehead
Bob Booker
Chris Kamara
Francis Joseph
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TODAY'S REFEREE:

PETER N. WILLIS (Meadowfield, Co. Durham). Began refereeing in 1963 in local Durham Leagues, then progressed via the Northern League to the Football League Full List. In 1981 refereed an F.A. Cup Quarter-Final game, was reserve referee at the Football League Cup Final, and referee the following year.

A married man, with two children, he is a Police Road Safety Officer in Co. Durham police force. Played football for a Northumberland County side and was a qualified Physical Training Instructor in the Royal Horse Guards. Enjoys most sports, particularly swimming and golf. Is a qualified life guard and was also an amateur for Newcastle United.



LINESMEN:

J. S. COWLEY (St. Helens) Red Flag
E. P. O'HARE (Barrow-in-Furness) Yellow Flag

HALFTIME SCOREBOARD

**A
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BRADFORD CITY
PLYMOUTH ARGYLE
BRISTOL ROVERS
SHEFFIELD UNITED
EXETER CITY
HULL CITY
NEWPORT COUNTY
WIGAN ATHLETIC
ORIENT
PRESTON NORTH END
PORT VALE
GILLINGHAM
ROTHERHAM UNITED
BURNLEY
SCUNTHORPE UNITED
AFC BOURNEMOUTH

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WALSALL
MILLWALL
WIMBLEDON
LINCOLN CITY
ARSENAL
WEST BROMWICH ALBION
ASTON VILLA
WEST HAM UNITED
LIVERPOOL
BIRMINGHAM CITY
LUTON TOWN
COVENTRY CITY
MANCHESTER UNITED
EVERTON
NORWICH CITY
TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR

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QUEENS PARK RANGERS
NOTTS COUNTY
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WATFORD
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MANCHESTER CITY
OLDHAM ATHLETIC
BARNLEY
CHESTER CITY
BURY
ROCHDALE
HEREFORD UNITED